(a) whether any discussion has been initiated with the Chinese authorities for exchange of information concerning defence strategy and technology that is or mutual interests.

(b) whether joint defence exercises are proposed to be sought with Chinese defence personnel as were undertaken with the US army; and

(c) if the reply to Parts (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, the response of the Chinese authorities to the mooted proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise in view of the reply to parts (a) and (b) above.

मध्य प्रदेश के पिछड़े और आदिवासी क्षेत्रों में विदेशी पूंजी निवेश

1820. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव: क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या आज की स्थिति के अनुसार मध्य प्रदेश के पिछड़े और आदिवासी क्षेत्रों में कोई विदेशी पूंजी निवेश किया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और देश में अब तक किए गए कुल पूंजी निवेश की तुलना में यह कितना है;

(ग) क्या इस संबंध में कोई दिशा निर्देश विद्यमान है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

प्रधान मंत्री के कार्यालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री भुवनेश चतुर्वेदी): (क) से (घ) मध्य प्रदेश राज्य में 989.68 करोड़ रुपये के विदेशी निवेश के लिए अनुमोदन किया गया है। अनुमोदित निवेश के आंकड़े जिला-वार, पिछड़े-क्षेत्र-वार और आदिवासी क्षेत्र-वार नहीं रखे जाते हैं। विदेशी प्रत्यक्ष निवेश के लिए अनुमोदन 1991 की नई औद्योगिक नीति की शर्तों के अनुसार दिए जाते हैं।

Capacity of Wagon manufacturing units

1821. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the installed capacity of wagon manufacturing units in the country, unit-wise;

(b) the number of wagons supplied to railways;

(c) whether railways are not accepting the whole capacity of wagons manufactured in the above units;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken to improve the quality of wagons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) A statement is attached: (*See* below)

(b) The number of wagons supplied to Railways during the period 1992-93 to 1994-95;

Year	No. of Wagons in terms of FWs
1992-93	25,261
1993-94	18,500
1994-95	9,000

(c) and (d) Wagons are manufactured against specific orders. Railway orders for wagons through wagon India declined in 1993-94 and 1994-95 to 18,500 and 9,000 FWUs respectively. Railway have attributed the decline in orders due to lack of growth of traffic demand.

(e) Various steps to imporve the quality of wagons such as replacement of rivetted joints by welded joints, improvements in welding technology, installation of facilities for Grit Blasting of wagons, and design improvement have been taken by wagon building units.

Statement

The licensed capacities of the regular units engaged in wagon building both in

public sector as well as private sector are as under:—

S. No.	Name of the wagon builders	Licensed capacity in terms of FWUs
	Public Sector	
1.	M/s. Bharat Wagon & Engg. Co. Ltd. Muzaffarpur.	2,000
2.	M/s. Bharat Wagon & Engg. Co. Ltd. Mokameh.	2,000
3.	M/s. Braithwaite & Co. Ltd., Calcutta	3,000
4.	M/s. Burn Standard Co. Ltd. Howrah	4,750
5.	M/s. Burn Standard Co. Ltd. Burnpur	3,911
6.	M/s. Jessop & Co. Ltd., Calcutta	3,279
	Total of Public Sector	18,940
	Private Sector	
7.	M/s. CIMMCO Wagon, Bharatpur	3,580
8.	M/s. Hindustan General Industries	2,000
9.	M/s. Modern Industries Ltd., Sahibabad	2,000
10.	M/s. TEXMACO, Calcutta	4,800
11.	M/s. Hindustan Development Corpn. Ltd., Calcutta	4,056
	Total of Private Sector	16,436
	Grand total in terms of FWUs	35,376

In addition, M/s. Southern Structurals, Madras and Binny Engineerin Ltd., Madras are also wagon manufacturing units.

Rocket Attacks by pakistan on Jammu and Kashmir

1822. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of rocket attacks by Pakistan in Jammu and Kashmir during the year 1994-95;

(b) the loss of lives and property in each case;

(c) the areas affected most as a result of these attacks;

(d) whether it is a fact that the work of fencing on Rajouri, Poonch has been suspended;

(f) the overall action taken by Government in these matters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) to (f) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Order placed through Wagon India Limited

1823. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOPTAL BASU:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of wagons (FWU) and the percentage thereof from the total wagons (FWS) that have been ordered for the year 1995-96 by Railways through Wagon India Limited (WIL);

(b) whether the above allotment through WIL is as per the prevailing practice followed so far; and

(c) if not, the impact of the same on the wagon manufacturing industries under the preview of Wagon India and the action taken by Government to ensure optimal utilisation of the capacities of the wagon industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) During 1995-96, Railways has placed an order of 5400 FWUs through Wagon India Limited (WIL), which comes to 39% of the total wagons.

(b) and (c) WIL was created to procure and distribute wagon orders for the Railway Board. The Railways, however, are now also procuring wagons through tender system. The low wagon order position has resulted in underutilisation of capacity among the wagon manufacturers.